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REMARKS

These remarks are in response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2004. Claims 1-7 are pending.

§103 Rejections

Claims 1-3, 5, and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,002,670 to Rahman et al. (hereinafter "Rahman") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,580,688 to Klink (hereinafter "Klink"). Claims 4 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Rahman in view of Klink and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,813,241 to Wang et al. (hereinafter "Wang"). The Applicant traverses these rejections.